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CLASSIFICATION SECRETCOUNTRY AustriaREPORT TOPIC 1. Soviet Troops in St. Poelten, Camp Spratzern and Mauer Oehling2. Soviet Troop-train Section in Bruck/Leitha and Empty Soviet Troop Train in Wilfleinsdorf25X1 EVALUATION  PLACE OBTAINED  25X125X1 DATE OF CONTENT DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 17 December 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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25X1 1. On 4 November 1953, sedan  driven by a soldier wearing red-bordered black epaulets parked in front of the former district court building in St. Poelten (O 49/W 88) which was guarded by a sentry wearing black-bordered red epaulets. Two jeeps were in its parking lot. Truck  was in front of the garages west of the former district court building. The garages were closed. They were guarded by sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. The underground fuel depot west of these garages was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Box-shaped truck  was parked in the courtyard of the Franz Joseph Kaserne. Two majors of the Medical Corps wearing red-bordered black epaulets and box-shaped truck  driven by a soldier wearing red-bordered black epaulets entered the former asylum for the aged on Franz Binder Strasse. One armored half-track vehicle, 20 trucks and 4 jeeps were stored in the area of Camp Spratzern, which was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets. About 20 unarmed soldiers practiced marching. Motor vehicles observed at the camp included jeep  trucks  and tank truck  all driven by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. 25X1

25X1 2. On 5 November 1953, 61 trucks, 6 jeeps and 2 field kitchens were stored in the area of the former regional insane hospital in Mauer Oehling (O 49/W 26), while 28 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets drilled with rifles. Twenty soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, two soldiers who carried practice targets, marched toward the target range. Jeep  driven by a soldier, and occupied by a lieutenant colonel, wearing red-bordered black epaulets and truck  driven by a soldier wearing red-bordered black epaulets and occupied by 15 soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets entered the hospital. Driving-school truck  occupied by soldiers wearing partly red-bordered black epaulets and partly black-bordered red epaulets and ambulance  driven by a soldier wearing red-bordered black epaulets left the installation. 25X1

3. On 6 November 1953, three flatcars each carrying one 37-mm AA gun without a prime mover were coupled to a freight train at the Bruck/Leitha (P 49/X 77) railroad station.

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1. [redacted] Comment. The information on St. Poelten, Camp Spratzern and Mauer Oehling indicates no changes. The about 40 soldiers practicing marching without arms probably were recruits. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] Comment. The Wilfleinsdorf railroad station is the loading and unloading station for Camp II (?) in Kaisersteinbruch in which discharges are assembled prior to their departure to the U.S.S.R. and replacements from the U.S.S.R. are divided up and assigned to the Soviet units in East Germany. Recruits from the U.S.S.R. presumably arrived on the empty train observed at the railroad station. [redacted]

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